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Application of Hindrik Willem DE VRIES et al.
Application S.N.: 10/584,075

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is in reply to the Office Action dated May 25, 2010. Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration of this application.

Claims 1-29 are currently pending in the application. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-29.

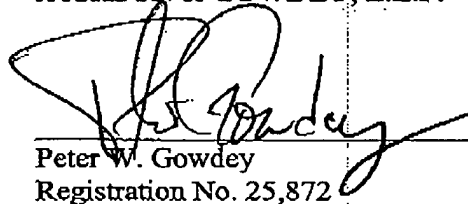
Applicants respectfully traverses the objection to claim 8 because the phrase "secondary electron emission between 0.01 and 1" is dimensionless to which no unit of measurement applies. This was previously pointed out to the Examiner during prosecution of U.S. Patent No. 7,791,281. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Applicants also submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer herewith in response to the double patenting rejections specifically, for claims 1-5, 7-9, 10-13, 17, 22-25 and 28, regarding U.S. Patent No. 7,791,281, and for 1, 6-9, 15-20, 22-24, 26, 27 and 29, regarding U.S. Patent No. 7,399,944, with this being based on the above identified Office Action at pages 2-8.

At least for these reasons, Applicants submit that claims 1-29 are patentable. In view of the present remarks, the currently pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance, and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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